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SUBJECT: Columbus Day Holiday Weekend Safety Message

1. While the year 2005 officially marked the beginning of the Ordnance Corps' transition to a new land – the adventure truly did not occur until recently. A few weeks ago, the journey became a reality as boots hit the ground on the new land of Fort Lee, VA.
2. As we continue this journey over the next few years, let us not forget one of the most important priorities each Soldier, Sailor, Marine, and Airman has – the safety of fellow comrades in arms. Whether on-duty or off, we need to control hazards that may pose a risk to ourselves and those around us.
3. Despite the promise of new living quarters and training facilities, the new Home of Ordnance still poses hazards. These risks includes but are not limited to unfamiliarity with the area, new traffic patterns, change in the weather and fewer hours of daylight, and the presence of construction traffic. While on duty, controls must still be integrated to ensure the safety of our troops. Remember when on-duty to implement the donning of personal protective gear such as safety boots, hearing protection, and safety glasses.
4. For those of us who have not made the transition to Fort Lee, be especially cognizant until you take those giant steps to your final destination. Let us not fail the mission of transition. The world is watching, and we must show the world that our strength to remain strong during times of change is engrained in our ethos. Forever will the safety of our fellow Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, and Airmen be a priority. Change in location must never cause the mission to fail. Safety is something that can be done no matter location or distance. We can do it successfully and safely.
5. Army Safe is Army Strong. Go Ordnance!


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